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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 30, 2003, (1) please note that the prior office action was mis-mailed to a law firm (Sidely et al.) that appears to have had no formal power of attorney in this application; (2) correct the mailing address for authorized counsel of record; (3) enter this Amendment, and (4) grant the concurrently filed Petition for Extension of Time.

(1) Claim amendments are at page 2.

(2) Remarks begin on page 7.